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 16 Q. Are you aware that our country
 17 is in the middle of an opioid crisis?
 18 A. Yes.
 19 MS. FUMERTON: Objection, form.
 20 Q. (BY MR. BOWER) And when did
 21 you first become aware of the opioid crisis?
 22 MS. FUMERTON: Objection, form.
 23 THE WITNESS: I don't know the
 24 exact time.
 25 Q. (BY MR. BOWER) Do you know an

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1 approximate time?
 2 A. I would say that those terms I
 3 first heard in the media within the last
 4 couple of years.
 5 Q. By "those terms," you mean
 6 opioid crisis?
 7 A. Yes.
 8 Q. What about a broader issue with
 9 respect to abuse of controlled substances?
 10 MS. FUMERTON: Objection, form.
 11 THE WITNESS: What's your
 12 question?
 13 Q. (BY MR. BOWER) I'm just trying
 14 to figure out. You seem to be stuck on my
 15 term "opioid crisis." I'm just trying to
 16 figure out if you use different terms, if you
 17 define it as abuse of prescription drugs, of
 18 drug issues with respect to Schedule II
 19 narcotics. Anything broader than that. When
 20 did you first become aware that our country
 21 was having a problem with prescription drug
 22 abuse?
 23 MS. FUMERTON: Objection, form.
 24 THE WITNESS: So I've worked in
 25 the health and wellness space the

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1 majority of my career. Now, I've
 2 worked in an independent pharmacy when
 3 I was in high school, in college. And
 4 so I would say that's been something
 5 that's been known by me for the
 6 majority of my career, that ...
 7 Q. (BY MR. BOWER) I don't want to
 8 cut you off. Are you --
 9 A. Yeah.
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